PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES

North Carolina State Board of CPA Examiners
December 18, 2006
1101 Oberlin Road

Raleigh, NC 27605

MEMBERS ATTENDING: Leonard W. Jones, CPA, President; Arthur M. Winstead, Jr., CPA, Vice President; Jordan C. Harris, Jr., Secretary-Treasurer; Norwood G. Clark, Jr., CPA; Tyrone Y. Cox, CPA; Thurman L. Gause; and Michael C. Jordan, CPA.

STAFF ATTENDING: Robert N. Brooks, Executive Director; J. Michael Barham, CPA, Deputy Director; Lisa R. Hearne, Manager-Communications; Ann J. Hinkle, Manager-Professional Standards; Buck Winslow, Manager-Licensing; and Noel L. Allen, Legal Counsel.

GUESTS: James T. Ahler, CEO, NCACPA; Sharon Bryson, COO, NCACPA; David Hooker, NCSA; and Susan McLean, NCSA.

CALL TO ORDER: President Jones called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

MINUTES: The minutes of the November 20, 2006, meeting were approved as submitted.

FINANCIAL AND BUDGETARY ITEMS: The November 2006 financial statements were accepted as submitted.

LEGISLATIVE AND RULE-MAKING ITEMS: The Board recommended that the Executive Staff proceed with the necessary steps to effect amendment of NCGS 93-13 from a Class 3 misdemeanor to a Class 1 misdemeanor.

REPORT OF THE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE: Mr. Winstead moved and the Board approved the following recommendations of the Committee:

<u>200505-034 - Benjamin Lewis Barnes</u> - Approve the signed Consent Order (Appendix I).

<u>200510-057, 200601-003 – Michael Scott Traflet</u> – Approve the signed Consent Order (Appendix II).

200608-062 - Close the case without prejudice.

200608-064 - Close the case without prejudice and with a Letter of Caution.

200601-005, 200601-006 - Approve the Notice of Hearing for 10:00 a.m. on February 19, 2007.

<u>200604-037 - Roy Desmond Fowler, III</u> - Messrs. Jones and Harris moved to approve the signed Consent Order revoking Mr. Fowler's CPA certificate. Motion passed with six (6) affirmative votes and one (1) negative vote (Appendix III).

REPORT OF THE PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION AND APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE:

Mr. Cox moved and the Board approved the following recommendations of the Committee:

Transfer of Grades Applications - The following was approved:

Gregory Michael Flicek

Original Certificate Applications - The following were approved:

Brandon Gray Combs Gregory Michael Flicek Lisa Adams Harper Laura Hagel Shepherd

The Committee reviewed the original application submitted by Jeffery Bruce Baker. Mr. Baker failed to disclose a misdemeanor conviction with his exam application but provided pertinent information with his certificate application. Staff recommended approval of the application with a one-year probationary period. The Committee approved the application.

Reciprocal Certificate Applications - The following were approved:

Ray Van der Horst Alan David Westheimer

Edward Stone Riley T3916

Temporary Permits - The following temporary permits were approved by the Executive Director and ratified by the Board:

Kendra Christine McLaughlin T3917
Richard A. Vera T3918
Charles William Smith T3919
Joseph J. Skovira IV T3920
Patrick Charles Sliter T3921
Haijin Wang T3922
Erin N. LeClair T3923
Eun Kyung Bang T3924
Thomas Richard Gasper T3925
Joseph M. Devine T3954
Elaine Michele Perry T3955
Anthony J. Georges T3956
Kathryn Jolene Fojtik T3957

Anthony T. Pandiscia T3958

Catherine Ann Hayes T3959

Edward Anthony Golden T3960 Dawn M. Cecil T3961 Christopher C. Statham T3962 Sara Elizabeth Ideran T3963 Shelley D. White T3964 Grady Lee Peeler III T3965 Meredith Giles Waldrop T3966 Cynthia Jeffery T3967 Deborah Kuldell Parks T3968 Terry Michael Dawkins T3969 Patti M. Weaver T3970 N. Dennis Alexander T3971 Paige Myria Otos T3972 Aaron Wayne Bauck T3974 Robert P. Elmore T3975 Mark Castaneda T3976

Kristin Mary Roble T3977

Jeffrey Robert Fearn T3978

Reinstatements - The following were approved:

Selene Davis Butts #21771 Gregory Steven Farish #14402 Steven John Frost #24957 Kristen Moore Goodlaxson #23677 Melisa Howard Hardy #20199 Katherine Woelfel Hudgins #19148 Paul Daniel MacDonald #24360 Barbara Paterek #27744 Richard Darren Russell #20234 Norborne Gee Smith Jr. #861 Jeanne Summers #30881 Clinton Eugene VanHoy #16812

Reissuance of New Certificate - Applications for reissuance of new certificate submitted by the following were approved.

Earl A. Lawson #16528 Brian Thomas Marley #14695 Judy Ann Vaughan #19007

Firm Registrations - The following professional corporations, professional limited liability companies, and limited liability partnerships were approved by the Executive Director and ratified by the Board:

JOHN J. BEAN, CPA, INC.
William B. Buchanan, CPA PLLC
John F. Darcy, CPA, Ltd.
Katz, Abosch, Windesheim, Gershman &
Freedman, P.A.
Jason C. Keller, CPA, PLLC
Mark R. Lemmond CPA, PLLC
MAHONEY COHEN & COMPANY, CPA,
P.C.

NISBET & TEAGUE, CPAs, PC Nomina CPA, PA Nearman, Maynard, Vallez, CPAs, P.A. Gary M. Prusiensky CPA, P.C. Smith Leonard PLLC JULIE J STEWART, CPA, PA Wathen, DeShong & Juncker, LLP

Reclassifications - The Committee approved a request for retired status submitted by Linda S. Stamper (#16803) because she is completely retired and does not receive any earned compensation for current personal services in any job whatsoever.

CPE Matters - Staff reviewed and recommended approval of the updated ethics CPE courses listed below. The Committee approved staff recommendation.

[&]quot;Professional Ethics and Conduct" by Eagle CPE

[&]quot;North Carolina Ethics" by Accountants Education Group

[&]quot;NC Accountancy Law - Ethics, Principles, and Professional Responsibilities" by NCACPA

Messrs. Cox and Harris moved to approve a new ethics CPE course, "Personal & Professional Ethics for North Carolina CPAs" by Positive Systems, Inc. Motion passed.

Extension Requests - The Committee disapproved Ketie St. Louis (#28312) for extension for completion of CPE.

Conditional Licenses - The Committee placed the following certificates on conditional status and waived the civil penalty for each individual:

George Benston 1231
Patricia Jones 1729
Harry Kledaras 2088
Jesse Massengill 2132
Robert Herford 2321
George Clover 2392
Jimmie Brown 3693
Bobby Singletary 3984
David Fater 4098
James Pryor 5597
Paul Livingston 6108
Anselm Staack 7416
Edward Prewitt 7811

Susan Shepard 8801 David McAlee 9273 Lawrence Gerber 9317 Timothy Scofield 9494

Bruce MacEwen 8216

Judith King 9698 Timothy Allen 9900 Linda Chappell 10163 Fred Walton 10991 H. Garvin 11266

Thomas Alexander 11532

John Keller 11550 Glade Laws 11552 Thomas Dunn 11633 Michael Mospan 11651 Joseph Sills 11751 Donald Helsel 11842 Joseph Patrick 11853 David Cloninger 11977 Cecelia Elkins 12014 Michael Beck 12295 Gary Morgan 12360 Deborah Garvin 12385

John King 12423 David Stoessel 12468 William Culp 12564 Stanley Haines 12620 Clarence Dwiggins 1269

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Lution Hill 12744
David Reitblatt 12894
Gary Morris 12939
Richard Muller 12940
Daniel Richards 13076
Donald Blodgett 13281
Michael Bis 13303
John Reddersen 13398
Dean Caldwell 13409
Gregory Forman 13495
Benjamin Maddrey 13511

Dan Henderson 13702 Charles Koury 13994 Kathryn Spears 13998 James Doggett 14083 John Lesso 14104 Rocky Mankins 14381 Gail Miller 14501 Geri Krech 14679

William Henderson 14738

Neal Cody 14779 Mary Jones 14783 Robert Mallernee 15095 Richard Campbell 15154 Sandra Ferguson 15270 Phillip Ostwalt 15313 Richard Grace 15342

James Martin 15427 Catherine Morris 15450 Alice Gwyn 15668 Carey Read 15712 Charles Johnson 15813 Susan DeVore 15918 John Glynn 15921 Cantrell Minges 16009 Steven Parker 16019 William Sheely 16151 Beverly Deaton 16161 Priscilla Meadows 16261 Michael Perry 16325 Lynda Ervin 16438 James Leak 16529 Gregory Lipe 16533 Constance Reid 16609 Brenda Beamon 16618 Kenneth Berry 16702 Nancy Vincent 16813 Candace Davies 16863 Michael Wenig 16968 Stuart Lynch 17043 Gregory Massey 17047 William Munn 17060 Mark DeJaco 17128 Timothy Winstead 17190 **Bradley Price 17270** Israel Rwejuna 17275 Thomas Reekers 17306 Ruth Artis 17315 Kevin Colin 17357 Vickie Pope 17367 Paul Holland 17509 Robert Hord 17510 Edward Carroll 17623 Rebecca Stone 17696 Susan Thomas 17760 Ira Heller 18060 Karen Boulineaux 18208 Carol Lowe 18230 Marilyn Pecoraro 18241 James Walker 18254

Lorraine Piephoff 18329 William Bishop 18375 David Floyd 18399 Stephen Poe 18437 John Thornburg 18463 Steve Haymore 18594 Edward Kania 18734 Kenneth Mooney 18740 John Hodnette 18765 Douglas Page 18880 Mark Allison 18915 Angela Herbin 18944 Scott Clark 19029 William Saint 19114 Sandra Mankins 19158 William Murley 19169 Tina Smith 19219 David Johnston 19330 John Berngartt 19366 LuAnn Tucker 19450 Ellen Kirk 19515 John Walker 19546 Sally Durham 19577 Donald Cobb 19597 David Cochran 19612 Jeffry Newman 19634 William Tarry 19643 Michael Carter 19660 Lisa Buff 19979 Mark Owens 19982 David DeVane 20031 **Julian LeRoy 20053** Karen Lightfoot 20101 Clyde Parker 20132 Scott Gilomen 20193 Charles McNeese 20258 Edward Darnell 20383 Elizabeth Simmons 20465 Roger Dillard 20544 Barbara Bouffard 20559 John McClenney 20637 Linda Dromgoole 20702 David Vines 20902

Natalie Martin 21010 Laura Thompson 21033 Sarah Klingensmith 21099 Jeffrey Jones 21144 Joseph O'Malley 21223 Arthur Andrews 21306 **Jeffrey Atkinson 21375** Fariba Steele 21408 Stephen Kerr 21409 Patrick Brady 21666 John Sadoff 21744 Brian Falk 21776 **James Gordon 21785** Henri Leveque 21800 Julius Spradley 21825 David Cloniger 21844 James Burr 21958 John Wood 22004 Alan Kunkel 22012 Lewis Simmons 22023 Alice Boyette 22032 Melanie Tyler 22073 Malcolm Johnson 22091 Catherine Fowler 22148 Jack Ingram 22180 Richard Moore 22193 Steven Stanford 22333 Kerry Dyer 22349 John Ager 22370 Kimberly Mattoon 22403 **Anthony Bridges 22424** Tony Phillips 22482 Ollie Boykin 22519 Christopher Collins 22523 Domenic Macioce 22534 **Teannie Benfield 22555** Bea Twede 22644 Jurgen Jost 22729 Christa Miller 22751 Kenneth Roselli 22769 Leigh Wilson 22786 Eric Schuppenhauer 22924 Douglas Reitzel 22975

Deborah Digby 23162 Deniz Dawson 23165 Louise Iversen 23293 John Lawlor 23442 Mitesh Patel 23460 Michael Sappenfield 23564 Robert Pauline 23604 Jeffrey Cole 23611 James Major 23670 Margaret Sistrom 23693 Riley West 23702 Barbara Caudle 23785 Robert Kessler 23837 H. Pyrtle 23846 Patria Smith 23855 Janet Woods 23874 Joanna Brumsey 23920 Christopher Cotton 24054 Ben Wethington 24104 Jean Zammit 24107 Tonya Dunham 24111 George Sperry 24182 Edward Bellina 24222 Barry Davis 24324 Ravenel Godbold 24419 Ashley Israel 24433 Adam Bean 24510 Channing Flynn 24526 Melissa Cloniger 24681 John Bigalke 24736 Scott Lampe 24813 Robert Zdon 24884 Alison Malloy 24897 Alexander Hadley 25047 Andrew Lewis 25196 Edwin Shuford 25218 Stuart Smith 25267 David Weaver 25271 Michael O'Neill 25358 Christopher Williams 25395 Yohanna Leak 25469 John Walsh 25510 Robert Collins 25536

Jason Edmisten 25564 Charlena Spence 25608 Jill Egburtson 25657 Angela Bryant 25722 Mark Henry 25753 Peter Imhof 25756 George Harrison 26049

George Harrison 26049 Helene Turpyn 26069 Shelly Gregory 26116 Anne Daley 26162 Michael Young 26184 Michael Fayed 26222 Mary Currie 26237 J. Kpaeyeh 26250

F. E. N. Rascoe 26358 Sean Bronson 26405 Beth Cook 26512

Donna Muchmore 26639

Scott Mathis 26726 Julie Schwingel 26843 Justin Snell 26973 Jeffery Bryan 26991 Matthew Loucks 27374 Donald Pagach 27399

Edmund Lewandowski 27451

Brandon Beaver 27470 Rebecca Box 27471 Karla Caldwell 27521 Megan Hyatt 27538 Joyita Basu 27604 William Karriker 27626 Dorinda Powell 27642

Scott Davis 27675 Kimberleigh Kidd 27685 Daniel Troutman 27704

Jolinda More 27711 Gayle Bess 27766 Kevin Tucker 27827

William Abernethy 27831 Ralph Castillo 27836 David Perry 27856 Howell Williams 27874

Jason Moore 27902

Thomas Myers 27930 Karen Frazier 27956 William Hayward 27976

Brian Porter 28007
Ann Miller 28143
Erica Smith 28193
Ketie St. Louis 28312
Heather Sawyers 28313
Jennifer Whitlow 28339
Tracey Keele 28422
Thomas Murphy 28438
Sharon Walker 28458
Arthur Vandenbree 28498

Meredith Bland 28569

Sanjay Manickam 28579

Constantine Stamatiades 28606

Leilei Zhang 28624 Lisa Bourque 28628 Julie Oakes 28650 Paul Grace 28783

Wallace Gregory 28849
Earl McBride 28863
Vincent Rieck 28874
Michael Mas 28908
Sharon Mager 28953
Matthew Brown 28970
William Bland 28986
Barry Kroeger 29021
Fiona Gould 29052

Christopher O'Connor 29066

Kimberly Kenny 29090
Kathy Kisiel 29091
Margaret Moore 29096
Amanda Bates 29105
Sarah Blevins 29173
Sarah Heidelberg 29210
Sidney Rattner 29215
James Teague 29224
John Fogle 29278
John Godwin 29317
Eric Padgett 29435
R. Sherrill 29566

Karen Liu 29617

Meredith Friga 29699 Thomas Magraw 29765 George Ennis 29801 De Anne Dunn 29857 **Jennifer Shafer 29929** Barry Webb 29937 Jerry Whitley 30061 Jeffrey Gifford 30066 Youngsun Cha 30167 Sarah Richards 30170 Julia Temkina 30191 Kevin Chipman 30286 Laura Stanziale 30527 Jeffrey Carlini 30660 Willie Watson 30883 Chad Johnson 31027 Beverly Winstead 31036

James Hamill 31055 Heena Roy 31113 Steven Hintz 31128 Kathy Luke 31176 Julie Black 31218 Mark Konyndyk 31322 Andrew Williams 31400 John Brader 31405 Lei Gu 31495 Jun Lee 31502 Bailey Pham 31510 Stephen Snyder 31610 Tonia Reed 31650 Donald Schroeder 31744 Claudia Straw 31749 Benjamin Maltby 31841

The following individuals were referred to the Professional Standards Committee for a second offense:

Hugh Toland 2138 Michael Joyner 10960 David Dugan 11774 Elizabeth Atkins 12343 Candace Tobin 13757 William Green 15074 Hugh Horton 15189 Randal Brown 15332 Michael Cummings 16339 Donna Passal 16585 Patrick McNair 16648 Kimberly Council 16861 Donald Senior 17135 Thomas Weir 19913 Michael Wiechart 20086 John Ragland 20490 Philip Sorrell 20799 Barbara Kuley 20935 Jeffrey Hitzke 21142 Donna Blackman 21271 Gregg Bowler 21295

J. McKnight 22472 Rhonda Lee Lowman 22736 Thomas Hinton 23037 Brian Page 23269 Regina Gunnet 24805 Joshua Goldberg 25178 Larry Gragg 25179 Thomas Cockerline 25787 Paul Stein 25844 Jimmy Griffin 26809 Kimberly Laird 27368 Holly Hartell 27618 William Lundstrom 27796 Angelica Willeford 28619 Cheryl Watkins 28884 Janice Young 28991 William Kight 29815 Theodore Perrella 30425 Si Park 30471 Brenda Chae 30482

Kathy Smith 30554

Examinations – The Committee reviewed and approved the following staff approved applicants to sit for the Uniform CPA Examination:

Hollie Ardoin

James Askew

Jeanette Atkins

Shahin Bahadori

Matthew Banko

Elizabeth Bemisderfer

William Biney

Douglas Black

Kevin Black

Jesse Blount

Sarah Bradley

Julie Brantley

Frances Brooks

Andrew Brown

Derick Brumley

Natalie Bystry

Sabrina Caudill

Galina Chichlova

Matthew Cooper

Avaleen Crawford-Williams

Skipp Crider

Jeffrey Day

Angela DePoy

Tejbir Dhillon

Christopher Dickman

Nhung Do

Joseph Dolan

Kathryn Duncan

Catherine Eastwood

Linda Elam

Michael Ertischek

Jennifer Evans

Daniel Fusaiotti

Angela Gangemi

Meghan Gasmovic

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Carley Gavillan

Alexander Geranmayeh

Candace Gibson

Bethany Gillooly

Arnold Glasford

Jason Golenbiewski

Ross Gravely

Tanikya Griffin

Caleb Griffith

Stephen Guild

Ricki Hall

Andrew Hardy

Nancy Holden

Hwa Young Hong

Lindsay Horton

Turkessa Houck

David Hutchinson

Karen Jones

John Kledis

Ching Ha Lam

Sarah Laws

Yvonne Lawson

Eric Leonard

Timothy Ligay

Jorushia Little

Eric Madara

Joshua Marr

Joseph Maxim

Scott McCain

Christopher McLawhorn

Natalie McPeters

Ronald Messenger

Jennifer Mills

Lauren Mitchell

Venus Moore

Sarah Murphy

Lisa Nelson

Rachel Norwood

Todd Nunn

David O'Dirling Kendall Overcash

Mital Patel

Aaron Pearson

William Perrault

Andrew Peters

Suzanne Pitsiniagas

Jared Plummer

Suzanne Plunket

Dipthi Ramakrishnan

Carla Reaves

Ashley Reddick

Mark Reece

Mindy Sammons

Rachel Savo

Tacob Schachle

Katherine Scheffel

Cole Shephard

Olanrewaju Shofoluwe

Nathan Siehr

Lori Sirotek

Cynthia Smith

Gregory Spivey

Claire Spruill

Adam Steele

David Stewart

Kimberly Stewart

Yingna Su

Joseph Sutton

Shirley Swanson

Nadine Taylor

Rebecca Thompson

Lindsey Wallace

Kristie Weiss

Jennifer Whitley

Pamela Williamson

Nancy Woodard

Iames Wooten

Sarah Work

Heather Wyant

Michelle Wyatt

Jie Xiao

Rescind Form of Practice Statements -Robert G. Merz (#30268) signed a Form of Practice Statements due to his employment. However, due to a change in the licensee's employment, staff recommended that the statement be rescinded. The Committee approved staff recommendation.

Miscellaneous - Staff reviewed a letter submitted by Brian Eugene Wise CPA (#30955). Mr. Wise failed to disclose a charge for minor consumption of alcohol misdemeanor conviction with his exam application but has provided pertinent information. Staff recommended that Mr. Wise's license be put on probation for one year. The Committee approved staff recommendation.

The Committee reviewed an Independent Assessment Report on the NCACPA's course, "Professional Ethics and Conduct."

CLOSED SESSION: Messrs. Cox and Jordan moved to enter Closed Session with Executive Staff and Legal Counsel to discuss legal matters. Motion passed.

PUBLIC SESSION: Messrs. Clark and Gause moved to re-enter Public Session to continue with the Agenda. Motion passed.

EXECUTIVE STAFF AND LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT: Messrs. Harris and Winstead moved to waive the 2007 renewal fee for the Notification of Intent to Practice renewals. Motion passed with seven (7) affirmative votes and zero (0) negative votes.

ADJOURNMENT: Messrs. Jordan and Clark moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:28 a.m. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted:

Attested to by:

Robert N. Brooks

Executive Director

Leonard W. Jones, d

President

NORTH CAROLINA WAKE COUNTY

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT EXAMINERS

CASE #: 200505-034

IN THE MATTER OF: Benjamin Lewis Barnes, #26336 Benjamin L. Barnes, CPA Respondents

CONSENT ORDER

THIS CAUSE, coming before the Board at its offices at 1101 Oberlin Road, Raleigh, Wake County, North Carolina, with a quorum present. Pursuant to NCGS 150B-41, the Board and Respondent stipulate the following Findings:

- 1. Respondent is the holder of North Carolina certificate number 26336 as a Certified Public Accountant.
- 2. Respondent Benjamin L. Barnes, CPA (hereinafter "Respondent firm") is a registered certified public accounting firm in North Carolina. Respondent firm is an individual practitioner firm owned and operated by Respondent Barnes.
- 3. On at least two occasions, including at least one occasion more than twelve (12) months prior to December 31, 2004, Respondent Barnes had been informed in writing that Respondent firm's peer review deadline was December 31, 2004.
- 4. On the 2005 firm renewal which was signed by Respondent Barnes on December 31, 2004, Respondent Barnes indicated that Respondent firm had not issued any audits, reviews, compilations, agreed-upon procedures, or SSARS-8 compilations during the period from January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2004.
- 5. In a letter dated February 22, 2005, a representative of the North Carolina Association of CPAs (NCACPA), administrator of the American Institute of CPAs (AICPA) Peer Review Program, informed Respondent Barnes that Respondent firm had been dropped from AICPA's Peer Review Program for non-compliance.
- 6. In a letter dated June 3, 2005, sent by first-class mail to the last known mailing address for Respondent and Respondent firm, Board staff instructed Respondent Barnes to explain, by June 17, 2005, why Respondent firm had been dropped from AICPA's Peer Review Program for non-compliance. Respondent did not respond.

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- 7. In a letter dated June 27, 2005, sent by certified/return receipt mail to the last known mailing address for Respondent and Respondent firm, Board staff directed Respondent Barnes to reply, by July 11, 2005, to the June 3, 2005, letter and explain why he had not responded to that letter in a timely manner. Respondent claimed and signed for the June 27, 2005, letter on July 5, 2005.
- 8. In a letter dated June 29, 2005, Respondent Barnes stated that he had no explanation as to why he had failed to respond to three (3) letters from NCACPA regarding his non-compliance with AICPA's Peer Review Program. In this same letter, Respondent Barnes stated that he was "coming into compliance by having a peer review scheduled and perform [sic]...." Also, in this letter, Respondent Barnes stated that Respondent firm had, in fact, provided attest services to a client in 2004 which was contrary to the 2005 firm renewal which Respondent had prepared and submitted to the Board for Respondent firm.
- 9. In a letter dated August 5, 2005, sent by first class mail to the last known mailing address for Respondent firm, Board staff directed Respondent Barnes to inform the Board as to the commencement date for Respondent firm's peer review and the time period to be covered by that peer review.
- 10. In a letter dated August 18, 2005, Respondent Barnes stated that the peer review for Respondent firm "is scheduled to commence immediately" and would cover the time periods "2001, 2002, 2003, [sic] 2004."
- 11. In an October 5, 2005, e-mail response to Board staff, a representative of NCACPA stated that Respondent Barnes has contacted the NCACPA and enrolled in AICPA's Peer Review Program with a peer review due date of December 31, 2005.
- 12. The peer review for Respondent firm was completed on November 14, 2005, and the peer review report was accepted by the North Carolina Peer Review Executive Committee on April 20, 2006.
- 13. Respondents wish to resolve this matter by consent and agree that the Board staff and counsel may discuss this Consent Order with the Board ex parte, whether or not the Board accepts this Consent Order as written. Respondents understand and agree that this Consent Order is subject to review and approval by the Board and is not effective until approved by the Board at a duly constituted Board Meeting.

BASED upon the foregoing, the Board makes the following Conclusions of Law: BOA

1. Respondents are subject to the provisions of Chapter 93 of the North Carolina General Statutes (NCGS) and Title 21, Chapter 8 of the North Carolina NOV 30 2006

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Administrative Code (NCAC), including the Rules of Professional Ethics and Conduct promulgated and adopted therein by the Board.

2. Respondents' actions as set out above constitute violations of NCGS 93-12 (9)e and 21 NCAC 8M .0105 (d)a d (e) and 8N .0203 (b)(1).

BASED on the foregoing and in lieu of further proceedings under 21 NCAC Chapter 8C, the Board and Respondents agree to the following Order:

- 1. Respondent Barnes' certificate and Respondent firm's registration are suspended for one (1) year; however, said suspensions are stayed, subject to Respondents' timely compliance with the Order and all other accountancy laws and rules.
- 2. Respondent Barnes is censured.
- 3. Respondent Barnes shall pay a five hundred dollar (\$500.00) civil penalty to be remitted with this signed Order.
- 4. Respondent Barnes shall complete, prior to December 31, 2007, the NCACPA's eight (8) hour group-study course entitled "NC Accountancy Law Ethics, Principles, and Professional Responsibilities."

CONSENTED TO THIS THE 27 th DAY OF November 2006.
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Respondent
APPROVED BY THE BOARD THIS THE DAY OF December
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NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT EXAMINERS

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NORTH CAROLINA WAKE COUNTY

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT EXAMINERS

CASE #s: 200510-057 and 200601-003

IN THE MATTER OF: Michael Scott Traflet, #17435 Respondent

CONSENT ORDER

THIS CAUSE, coming before the Board at its offices at 1101 Oberlin Road, Raleigh, Wake County, North Carolina, with a quorum present. Pursuant to NCGS 150B-41, the Board and Respondent stipulate the following Findings:

1. Respondent is the holder of North Carolina certificate number 17435 as a Certified Public Accountant.

Count 1

- 2. A client couple (First Complainants) engaged Respondent to prepare their 2004 federal tax return. On July 26, 2005, the First Complainants met with Respondent at Respondent's office and delivered their documentation for Respondent to file their 2004 federal tax return. First Complainants specifically engaged Respondent to complete their federal tax return by August 15, 2005. The documentation delivered to Respondent was the First Complainants' original records, and they retained no copies.
- 3. First Complainants called Respondent several times in the next two weeks to schedule a meeting with Respondent to sign the tax returns. Respondent did not return their telephone calls.
- 4. In their efforts to talk with Respondent, First Complainants contacted the receptionist in Respondent's building, the landlord for Respondent's office, and a friend who had recommended Respondent to them. The friend told the First Complainants that Respondent was having problems and would contact them soon. The First Complainants never received a telephone call from Respondent during this matter.
- 5. The First Complainants wrote letters to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and Respondent regarding First Complainants' inability to file their returns.

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- because of Respondent's failures to communicate and failure to return their original documentation.
- 6. After receiving a complaint from First Complainants in October of 2005, Board staff sent a letter to Respondent requesting his response to the complaint.
- 7. After receiving no response to the original letter, on November 8, 2005, Board staff sent Respondent, by certified/return receipt mail, a second request for a response to the complaint. Respondent signed for the certified mail on November 23, 2005, but failed to timely respond.
- 8. On December 21, 2005; December 29, 2005; and January 5, 2006, Board staff called and left messages for Respondent. Respondent failed to timely respond.
- 9. After their complaint had been filed with the Board, First Complainants received, by mail, from Respondent all of their original documentation.
- 10. In a letter dated January 30, 2006, Respondent informed the Board that he had returned the First Complainants' documentation and was unable to complete their work due to illness. Respondent stated that he would reimburse First Complainants for the interest and penalties caused by the late filing as well as for the tax return preparation.

Count 2

- 11. In November of 2004, another client couple (Second Complainants) engaged Respondent to handle a tax levy situation with the IRS and with the North Carolina Department of Revenue (NCDOR). Second Complainants completed all necessary paperwork, and Respondent informed them that it would take about nine (9) months to complete the process. At the time of the engagement, Second Complainants paid Respondent two hundred forty dollars (\$240.00).
- 12. Initially, Respondent got NCDOR to temporarily suspend garnishment and got the IRS to reduce garnishment to only one hundred dollars (\$100.00) a month.
- 13. After several months, NCDOR started calling the wife of Second Complainants at work and the IRS levied the wife's bank account.

- 14. On August 5, 2005, Respondent met with Second Complainants in order to complete additional paperwork needed for an Offer in Compromise with the IRS. Second Complainants gave Respondent a one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) money order to submit with the Offer in Compromise to the IRS.
- 15. Despite several attempts by Second Complainants to contact Respondent, Respondent failed to reply or return contact with them in a timely manner.
- 16. On September 28, 2005, Second Complainants sent a letter to Respondent requesting their records. Respondent failed to respond to them in a timely manner.
- 17. On October 18, 2005, Second Complainants sent another letter by certified/return receipt mail to Respondent again demanding the return of their records. On October 19, 2005, Respondent sent Second Complainants, by Federal Express, their records, the one hundred fifty dollar (\$150.00) money order, and a short note.
- 18. On January 4, 2006, Second Complainants filed a complaint with the Board regarding Respondent's failure to respond in a timely fashion and his failure to complete the terms of an engagement in a timely manner.
- 19. On January 13, 2006, Board staff sent a letter to Respondent requesting his response to the complaint.
- 20. Respondent replied that he had corresponded on several occasions with NCDOR on Second Complainants' behalf and that he felt that he would have been able to have completed the work had he not become ill in September of 2005. Further, Respondent stated that since he was ill he had not received any of Second Complainants' attempts to contact him.
- 21. Respondent wishes to resolve this matter by consent and agrees that the Board staff and counsel may discuss this Order with the Board *ex parte*, whether or not the Board accepts this Order as written.
 - BASED upon the foregoing, the Board makes the following Conclusions of Law:
- 1. Respondent is subject to the provisions of Chapter 93 of the North Carolina General Statutes (NCGS) and Title 21, Chapter 8 of the North Carolina Administrative Code (NCAC), including the Rules of Professional Ethics and Conduct promulgated and adopted therein by the Board.

2. Respondent's actions as set out above constitute violations of NCGS 93-12 (9)e and 21 NCAC 8N .0206 and .0212.

BASED on the foregoing and in lieu of further proceedings under 21 NCAC Chapter 8C, the Board and Respondent agree to the following Order:

- 1. Respondent is censured.
- 2. Respondent shall pay a two thousand dollar (\$2,000.00) civil penalty to be remitted within six (6) months of the date this Order is approved by the Board.

CONSENTED TO THIS THE _	13	_DAY OF _	November	, 2006.
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APPROVED BY THE BOARD THIS THE 18 DAY OF December 2006.

NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT EXAMINERS



BY: Marketon President NORTH CAROLINA WAKE COUNTY

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT EXAMINERS CASE #: 200604-037

IN THE MATTER OF: Roy Desmond Fowler, III, #9517 Respondent

CONSENT ORDER

THIS CAUSE, coming before the Board at its offices at 1101 Oberlin Road, Raleigh, Wake County, North Carolina, with a quorum present. Pursuant to NCGS 150B-41, the Board and Respondent stipulate the following Findings:

- 1. Respondent is the holder of North Carolina certificate number 9517 as a Certified Public Accountant.
- 2. On March 31, 2006, Respondent was arrested and charged with a felony warrant of forgery (G.S. 14-119) and uttering (G.S. 14-120) in connection with a client's funds.
- 3. On May 3,2006, Respondent appeared in Wake County District Court and acknowledged guilt as follows in a written statement through a Felony Diversion Agreement with the Wake County District Attorney's office: "to the forgery [by] cashing a check using the victim's account number, routing number, and name of company. The check was then signed fraudulently, not by the victim. The [Respondent] acted without authority and with the intent to injure and defraud."
- 4. Respondent further admitted that: "And, on or about the date of offense shown and in the county named above, the [Respondent] unlawfully, willfully and feloniously did utter, publish, pass and deliver as true the forged, falsely made and counterfeit instrument which is described in the charge above. The defendant acted for the sake of gain and with the intent to injure and defraud and with knowledge that the instrument was forged, falsely made and counterfeited."
- 5. Respondent wishes to resolve this matter by consent and agrees that the Board staff and counsel may discuss this Order with the Board ex parte, whether or not the Board accepts this Order as written. Respondent understands and agrees that this Consent Order is subject to review and

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approval by the Board and is not effective until approved by the Board at a duly constituted Board Meeting.

BASED upon the foregoing, the Board makes the following Conclusions of Law:

- 1. Respondent is subject to the provisions of Chapter 93 of the North Carolina General Statutes (NCGS) and Title 21, Chapter 8 of the North Carolina Administrative Code (NCAC), including the Rules of Professional Ethics and Conduct promulgated and adopted therein by the Board.
- 2. Respondent's actions as set out above constitute violations of NCGS 93-12 (9)d, and (9)e, and 21 NCAC 8N .0201, .0202, .0203, and .0204 (b).

BASED on the foregoing and in lieu of further proceedings under 21 NCAC Chapter 8C, the Board and Respondent agree to the following Order:

- 1. The Certified Public Accountant certificate issued to Respondent, Desmond Roy Fowler, III, is hereby revoked.
- 2. Respondent may not apply for modification of discipline prior to five (5) years after the date of this order.

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CONSENTED TO THIS	THE 12th DAY OF December, 2006.
	Respondent -
APPROVED BY THE BO 2006.	DARD THIS THE 18 DAY OF December
BOARD	NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT EXAMINERS